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For: Heating and Defrosting Methods and	)	
Apparatus	)	Pasadena, California

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.